

Willie Blount to Andrew Jackson, June 23, 1812, from Correspondence of Andrew Jackson. Edited by John Spencer Bassett.

WILLIE BLOUNT TO JACKSON.

Knoxville, June 23, 1812.

Dear Sir , I wrote you fully by last mail. Yours of the 17th. instant is to hand. I am not authorized to draw any money from the treasury to defray the expence of transportation of Arms from Newport, but presume Mr Crutcher might loan as much, or that you will otherwise make the necessary arrangement on this head, until the assembly provides—shall expect you to do so, am glad you have been able to get Mr. Eli Hammond to go on for them, he is the right kind of man,—inclosed is the order for the arms, which please hand to Mr. Hammond—tell him to pick the arms if he is permitted, for I fear they are not of the best kind. . . . 1

1 On the same sheet is the following in Jackson's handwriting: "June 27th. 1812 Then recd. of Andrew Jackson two hundred dollars to be applied, to the expence of bringing from Newport Kentucky one thousand stand of Musketts with their Equipments to Nashville being, a part of the quota of arms for the militia of Tennessee agreeable to the order of the Governor of the state of Tennessee. Eli Hammond"